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## Via Electronic Filing

Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW, Room TWB-204 Washington, DC 20554

Re: Notice of oral ex parte communications, Joint Application by BellSouth Corporation, BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., and BellSouth Long Distance, Inc. for Provision of In-Region, InterLATA Services in Alabama, et al., WC Docket No. 02-150

Review of Section 251 Unbundling Obligations of Incumbent Local Exchange Carriers, Docket Nos. 01-338, 96-98, 98-147

## Dear Ms. Dortch:

On Tuesday, September 10, 2002, Bob Quinn, David Eppsteiner and the undersigned, all representing AT&T, met with Christopher Libertelli, Legal Advisor to Chairman Michael Powell. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss AT&T's Opposition to the pending BellSouth 5-state Application. AT&T's comments at the meeting were consistent with the comments filed by AT&T in this proceeding and the attached document, which was the basis of AT&T's presentation at the meeting.

As part of the discussion, we also referred to AT&T's comments filed in the above-referenced Triennial Review dockets which highlight the need to establish some form of electronic loop provisioning in order to accelerate the development of facilities-based local competition. We explained that the technology to support electronic provisioning is technically feasible and available today and that electronic provisioning could eliminate some of the enormous financial and technical obstacles to facilities-based competition that currently exist.

Consistent with Commission rules, I am filing one electronic copy of this notice and request that you place it in the record of the proceeding.

Sincerely,

Joan Marsh

ce: Christopher Libertelli Aaron Goldberger